

IN THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The Abstract has been amended as follows:

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METAL DETECTOR AND ITS TEST PROCEDURE

~~This invention concerns a~~ A test procedure and a metal detector ~~having comprising~~ transmitting coils, receiving coils and an electronic processing circuit adapted to detect variations in the signals received by the receiving coils against a reference value. The metal detector; ~~characterized in that it~~ also includes a test module which has a selector ~~selection means~~ able to detect a test request, and a controller ~~means~~, used when a test request is detected by the ~~selection selector, means~~, able to compare the signals from the receiving coils during the subsequent passing of a known standard reference object with a predetermined response through the detector. ~~This invention also concerns a test procedure.~~

——— Figure 2.